AUG 1 3 2003 Approved for use through 10/31/2 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMM Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless if displays a valid OMB control number Docket No. (Optional) PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) 219002028310 Babu J. MAVUNKEL, et al In re Application of **Application Number** February 13, 2002 10/076,131 COMPOUNDS AND METHODS TO TREAT CARDIAC FAILURE For: AND OTHER DISORDERS Group Art Unit 1625 Examiner C. Chang This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired): One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) 110.00 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ \$ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. 08/11/2003 KBETEMA1 00000048 031952 10076131 Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 04 FC:1251 110.00 DA The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit 03-1952 any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. applicant/inventor. I am the assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) August 4, 2003 Date Signature Kate H. Murashige Typed or Printed Name NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms

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